

**REGULAR MEETING
HEALTH AND FAMILY COMMITTEE
SEPTEMBER 22, 2008 @ 2:00 P.M.
TRIBAL OFFICE'S – ROOM B**

1. CHAIRPERSON Lynette Miller called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. Roll call was taken with a quorum present. MEMBERS PRESENT: Rebecca Alegria (late), Shannon Wilber, Jerry Waukau, Eva Robinson and Darwin Dick. MEMBERS ABSENT: Mary Husby (excused) and Duane Waukau. Also present: Cheryl Caldwell, Denise Pommer, Lindzey Grall and Linda Peters, recorder.

2. Moment of Silence. A moment of silence was observed.

3. Approval of Minutes dated August 19, 2008

The agenda showed the date of August 19, 2008 when the minutes are dated August 18, 2008 and the educational session for the Department of Health Services and Department of Children and Families Tribal Relations Educational Services is scheduled for October 15th and not the 17th as recorded.

Motion made by Jerry Waukau to approve the minutes dated August 19, 2008. Second was by Shannon Wilber. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye. Motion carried: 2 for, 0 opposed, 2 abstentions (Robinson and Wilber) and 2 absent (D. Waukau and Husby).

(R. Alegria entered the meeting at 2:04 p.m.)

4. Health Administrator's Report/Jerry Waukau

MAINTENANCE – NUTRITION POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL CHANGES

The Maintenance Department simplified their policy and combines their duties to 52 rules as was stated in the minutes.

The committee questioned what is done with the access cards when you are no longer employed with the clinic. Jerry Waukau stated that when you leave employment from the clinic, you are removed from the data base and the computer will then deny access to that particular card. Cheryl Caldwell informed the committee that every three months Dave Waupoose sends the active card printout to the director's of different departments to confirm all cards on report are active.

There were no changes to the Nutrition Policy.

Motion made by Rebecca Alegria to approve the updated 2008 Maintenance Department Policy and Procedure manual with appropriate changes to include the Nutrition Policy Procedure manual without any changes.. Second was by Shannon Wilber. Motion carried: 4 for, 0 opposed, 1 abstention (J. Waukau) and 2 absent (D. Waukau and Husby).

DEPLOYMENT FOR COMMISSIONED OFFICERS WORKING AT THE CLINIC

Jerry Waukau informed the committee that the Public Health Service Commissioned Corps activated some of our medical staff to assist with the Hurricane Ike victims. Mr. Waukau informed the committee that if you are a commissioned officer, you are deployed for two weeks or longer depending on the necessity. This will leave the clinic short an eye doctor right now and one dentist and one doctor will be deployed soon.

5. Amendment to Ordinance #86-26 – Abuse of Vulnerable Adults:
Discussion/Recommendations.

The committee reviewed the marked up copy of the ordinance. Lynnette Miller informed the committee that the Commission on Aging reviewed this proposed amendment and the only question they had was if you had to be handicapped to be abused. Lindzey Grall informed them that there are two classifications. One is for elders in general and the other is for the handicapped and mentally incompetent.

To be consistent with all tribal references to elders, the age will be changed from 60 to 55.

The proposed amendment refers to three different types of abuse: 1) Intentionally subject..., 2) Recklessly subject..., and 3) Negligently subject..... The committee requested that the definitions of all three be listed within the ordinance.

The penalties and fines that were listed are extremely high. With the tribe's poverty rate, this ordinance needs to be consistent with other ordinances. Ms. Grall will look at other tribal ordinances and the committee will review this area again at the next meeting.

The committee discussed the differences between Bodily Harm and Great Bodily Harm. Ms. Grall explained that the degree or intentions are charged on a case to case basis.

Motion made by Jerry Waukau to table this item and ask the legal staff to research our questions and get back to us next month. Second was by Eva Robinson. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye. Motion carried: 5 for, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions and 2 absent (D. Waukau and Husby).

Motion made by Rebecca Alegria to suspend the agenda and move to item #7 – Monthly Narratives. Second was by Shannon Wilber. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye. Motion carried: 5 for, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions and 2 absent (D. Waukau and Husby).

7. Review Monthly Narratives.

Denise Pommer was present to discuss the possibility of the moving the Senior Center from the current site to the vacant Head Start building.

Space (kitchen and seating area), parking and staffing along with the actual use of the center were discussed. There was a survey that was done a couple of years ago and these numbers would not be because this survey was sent out to all the Neopit elders and some use the center and some do not. Ms. Pommer will ask the seniors that are currently using the center for their input and come back to the committee with the new numbers along with the cost for renovations.

Motion made by Rebecca Alegria to go back to the agenda. Second was by Eva Robinson. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye. Motion carried: 5 for, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions and 2 absent (D. Waukau and Husby).

6. EXECUTIVE SESSION: 1) Maehnowesekiyah complaint and 2) Contract Health Services Re-consideration of CHS Denial of o81-DMTC-53.

*****EXECUTIVE SESSION NOT RECORDED*****

Motion made by Eva Robinson to come out of Executive Session. Second was by Shannon Wilber. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye. Motion carried: 5 for, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions and 2 absent (D. Waukau and Husby).

Motion made by Rebecca Alegria to uphold the Menominee Tribal Clinic Contract Health Services denial of case number o81-DMTC-53 as per Contract Health Services policies and procedures. Second was by Darwin Dick. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye. Motion carried: 5 for, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions and 2 absent (D. Waukau and Husby).

- 8 Other Business

No other business.

9. Adjournment

Motion made by Eva Robinson/Darwin Dick to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 3:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Linda Peters, recorder
Chairman's Office